

## **OLD SUGAR MILL OF KOLOA**

Maluhia and Koloa Roads, Kanai, Koloa vicinity

Although native Hawaiians had grown sugar cane earlier, the first commercially successful sugar plantation was established here by Ladd & Company in 1835, marking the foundation of what became Hawaii's largest industry. Sugar long played a major role in Hawaii's economics and politics and was influential in the decision of the United States to annex the islands. The massive stone base of the chimney and stone foundations of the mill date from the early 1840s.